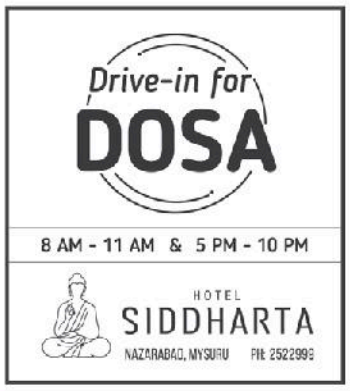

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Dasara website a disaster

▶ Bloomers galore ▶ Officials scramble to meet deadline ▶ *www.mysoredasara.gov.in* has no info on cultural programmes ▶ No publicity blitzkrieg as decided at High-Powered Committee meeting

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (BCT)- In 2019, the Dasara website www.*mysoredasara.gov.in* was a global hit with high traffic, particularly from Bengaluru and the United States of America. Data showed that on an average, there were over a lakh visitors during the festival inauguration and they spent two to three minutes checking the attractions that were offered.

Come Dasara-2022, many tourists and youths who want to go to different programme venues and plan in advance are disappointed as there is only minimum and sketchy information about events on the website.

The website seems to have been launched in a hurry by District Minister S.T. Somashekar on Sunday. Though the web page, accessible by everyone now, has essential information and loads of historical data and data about Dasara elephants, there is not much to take away in the events section, live section and the element of interactiveness is missing.

Several youths who spoke to *Star of Mysore* last evening said they want to plan for events in advance but cannot do so due to lack of information. Interestingly, during the Dasara High-Powered Committee meeting, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai had directed officials to go for a publicity blitzkrieg locally, nationally and internationally but no efforts have been made in this direction.

(See WEBSITE on page 6)

Samples of Dasara website-2022 for your reading pleasure !

Let these samples speak for themselves:

For discussions regarding the Nadahabba Mysore Dussehra Mahotsav Dipalankara, MP Pratap Sinha, District Collectors, Chescom Managing Director and concerned officials held a meeting at the District Collector's office.

Urdu Poetry Conference (Mushahira): On the 29. 9. 2022 at Thursday, 7.00 pm

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Sahakaara ministry and Mysore District In-charge Minister ST Somasekhar inquired about the well-being of the Mahuthas and Kavadigaras who have arrived for the Nadahabba Mysore Dasara Mahotsava and served them breakfast.

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled "Fleeting thoughts on a Queen's death." —Ed

Golden throne assembled at Palace

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (MTY & BNR)- Though not allowed for public viewing, one of the major rituals performed during Navarathri celebrations is the assembling of the gem-studded Golden Throne *(Suvarna Simhasana)*. The process was completed today at the Amba Vilas Durbar Hall in iconic Mysore Palace with all the accompanying rituals.

The rituals began at 6.30 am with performance of Navagraha Homa, Shanti Homa, Ganapathi Homa and Chamundi Puja at Durbar Hall.

Later, the Strong Room in the underground of the Palace, where the Golden Throne is kept, was opened from where eight parts of *Suvarna Simhasana* and six parts of *Belli Bhadrasana* were brought to the Durbar Hall.

(See GOLDEN THRONE on page 7)

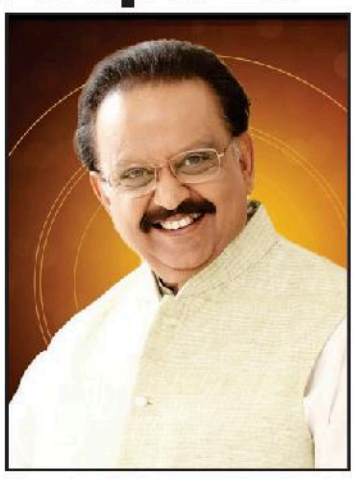
STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 20th September 2022

Musical tribute to Dr. SPB on Sept. 25



Mysuru, Sept. 20 (PM&SSM)- Sirigannada Vedike Rajya Samiti in association with Mysuru Sahitya mattu Samskrutika Pratishtana has organised a musical tribute programme for the *Sangeeta Samrat* Dr. S.P. Balasubrahmanyam (SPB) at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city on Sept. 25 at 4.30 pm.

Disclosing this at a press meet held at Patrakarthara Bhavan here on Sunday singer Vedanth Atishay Jain said that marking the second death anniversary of the veteran singer a tribute has been organised.

"There is no song SPB has left unsung. He is a university himself. 25 songs of SPB will be sung at the programme. For the past two months continuous efforts and preparations have been made to organise a programme like this. There is no entry fee to attend the programme," he said.

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal will inaugurate. Social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajapayee will be the chief guest. Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) President S.T. Ravikumar and other dignitaries will take part in the programme, he added.

Mysuru Sahitya mattu Samskrutika Pratishtana Founder-President M.B. Santhosh, Sirigannada Vedike Rajya Samiti State President A. Hemaganga, Secretary Dr. Sougandhika V. Jois and others were present at the press meet.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health, which was presented to the Rajya Sabha last week, has validated much of the criticism that has been made about the Government's handling of the COVID crisis, especially during the second wave of the pandemic last year. The committee has said that many lives could have been saved if the Government had put in place the right containment strategies at the right time. It said that the second wave was marred by a high number of cases and deaths, shortage of oxygen and beds in hospitals, reduced supplies of drugs and other medical supplies, disruption of essential healthcare services, hoarding and black-marketing of cylinders and medicines, etc. It pulled up the Government for not anticipating the gravity of the situation and for its failure to monitor the pandemic's course. It said there was a "non-responsive attitude" to enhancing health infrastructure. There was a lack of transparency on many issues. The number of deaths and cases were grossly understated and there was a clear failure in the use of resources to handle the situation.

The Government's failures, as pointed out by the committee, should be discussed and analysed to ensure that effective measures are taken to avoid them in future. The committee's report has a high level of credibility and will hopefully not be dismissed as an attempt to malign the Government. It has made recommendations that should receive serious attention and should be acted upon. It has told the Health Ministry to audit the deaths during the second wave. The health infrastructure needs to be improved and shortages and inadequacies removed so that there will be better readiness to face similar crises in future. An examination of the handling of the pandemic in all its aspects will help to fix accountability for the failures. Such an exercise is necessary, and it is not too late to undertake it. — *In Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

She was one of history's notorious serial killers

Vladimirovac: Ana di Pištonja, also known as Baba Anujka or the Banat Witch, was an accomplished amateur chemist who used her skills to kill as many as 150 people in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Baba Anujka's origins are shrouded in mystery. Some sources claim that she was born in 1838, in the Banat region of modern-day Romania, but her life was tied to the Yugoslavian village of Vladimirovac, in the Voievodina Province of present-day Serbia. As the daughter of a rich cattleman, she is said to have had a comfortable childhood and good education, but became a misanthropist in her early 20s, after being seduced by an Austrian officer who eventually left her with a broken heart and a syphilis infection. She found refuge in the field of chemistry and became known as a local healer and witch who could make anyone "disappear' for the right price...

Job applicants with unlucky phone numbers rejected

Shenzhen: The superstitious manager of a Chinese education company has come under fire for rejecting people with '5' as the last digit of their phone number.

News outlets have been reporting the bizarre case of an education company in Shenzhen that allegedly rejects job applications of people who have '5' as the fifth digit in their phone numbers, because the boss considers it back luck. Such applicants are advised to change their phone numbers if they are truly interested in working at the company. The bizarre condition, which has nothing to do with competencies or work ethics, has sparked a heated online debate in China, where superstition is still a big part of daily life.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Facial Cosmetics have to be washed at least with plain water at night. This reduces allergy. Nail cosmetics to be removed once weekly

By Dr. Jayanth D. P. - Consultant Dermatology And Cosmetology Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Empowering digital education

Theorem India distributes desktops to Vanitha Sadana

Mysuru, Sept. 20- Theorem India distributed desktops to Vanitha Sadana Institute in Mysuru as part of its CSR initiative. Theorem's Founder and CEO Jay Kulkarni, VP India Anand Subramanian along with Theorem volunteers "Mithr team" interacted with the students and staff to facilitate the event.

Theorem has joined hands with Vanitha Sadana, an institution dedicated to the development of women and children, for eight decades. It was established in 1937 by distinguished couple Susheela Bai and Prof. Nagesha Rao, who foresaw the imperative of women's development at a time when gender issues were still far away from mainstream and pioneered a local revolution in educating and training women and children.

Speaking on the occasion, Jay Kulkarni said, "Digital literacy has become a necessity and access to resources has been a challenge for lower income groups. Early education is the foundation for bright future and we are happy to provide tools which will help these children broaden their knowledge. We want to thank the teaching fraternity who have ensured that students' education is not compromised."

During the event, Anand Subramanian, VP India, said, "The company feels compelled to contribute to positive societal change across the globe. With this endeavour we are empowering students to be the future digital workforce."

Theorem has worked towards community development in Mysuru and surrounding areas. Recently the company joined hands with Vision Spring to conduct free eye check-ups in and around Mysuru. The camp covered 18 villages and screened over 3,100 villagers.

REALLY...?

- ***Ancient Rome, the first ice-cream flavour: In Ancient Rome special wells were used to store ice and snow which slaves brought down from the mountains to luxurious villas. Among the ruins of Pompeii there are traces which lead us to believe that some shops specialised in selling crushed ice (from Vesuvius) sweetened with honey.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A: Why does your little brother jump up and down before taking his medicine?
B: Because he read the label, and it said shake well before using!!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 79.67
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 91.24
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 21.69
1 Euro	= Rs. 79.90

VOICE OF THE READER

Ply buses from R.S. Naidu Nagar to CBS via Pulikeshi Road and RMC Circle

Sir,

Despite my request in this column many weeks ago, the KSRTC has not taken any action to ply city buses from R.S. Naidu Nagar to City Bus Stand (CBS) via Pulikeshi Road and RMC Circle.

I had highlighted the hardships and sufferings of bus travellers, especially women, labourers, students, train-goers from a long time on this route.

Will the KSRTC authorities look into the matter on humanitarian grounds, at least now?

— Iqbal
on e-mail

R.S. Naidu Nagar
12.9.2022

PU lecturers demand change in mid-term holidays

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (SPN&DM)- Opposing the Pre-University Education Department's decision to announce mid-term holidays from Oct.1 to 14, the Mysuru District Unit of Karnataka State PU College Lecturers Association has urged the Government to reschedule the holiday period as Sept.26 to Oct.10, coinciding with Dasara celebrations in the district.

Terming the declaration of holidays from Oct.1 to 14 as improper at a time when the entire Mysuru district would be celebrating Dasara, which starts from Sept. 26, the Association in a memorandum submitted to the DC Office here recently maintained that declaration of mid-term holidays from Sept.26 to Oct.10 would be more apt in the backdrop of Dasara.

Citing difficulties in holding classes when Dasara celebrations and programmes are underway, the Association urged the Government to reschedule the holidays.

Association President M.M. Mahadeva, office-bearers Manjegowda, Srinivas, Shivakumar and others were present.

Annual General Body Meetings

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (SSM)- **Koodala Sangama Deva Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha,** Mysuru, will hold its Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar on Sept. 22 at 11.30 am. Sangha President K.A. Mahesh will preside.

The AGM of **S.K.B. Vidhya Sahaya Sangha,** Mysuru, will be held at its premises in No.446, Sri Saraswathi Nilaya, Kempananjamba Agrahara, on Sept. 24 at 12 noon. Sangha President B.R. Seetharamaiah will preside over the meeting.

Nekarara Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha, Mysuru, will hold its AGM at Gunabai Chatra on Chamal Mutt Street, Kabir Road Cross, Lashkar Mohalla in city on Sept. 24 at 11 am.

The 28th AGM of **Judicial Department Employees House Building Co-operative Society,** Mysuru, will be held at Seetha Raghava Prarthana Mandira, 1st Floor, Kantharaj Urs Road, Krishnamurthypuram in city on Sept. 24 at 11 am, according to a press release.

Udyoga Mela on Sept. 24

Mysuru, Sept. 20- The Department of Industrial Training and Employment, Mysuru District, has organised Udyog Mela (Job Fair) on Sept. 24.

At the Mela, many reputed Companies will recruit suitable candidates for the vacant posts by conducting a direct interview.

Interested candidates in the age group of 18-35 years and having qualifications of SSLC, PUC, Degree, ITI, Diploma, MBA, Post Graduate Degree (pass/fail) can appear for the interview with copies of Marks Card, Aadhaar Card and 10 copies of biodata at 1st Main, 6th Cross, near Ramalingeshwara temple, Vidyaranyapuram.

More details can be had from the Assistant Director, District Employment Exchange Office, Mysuru-7 or over Ph: 0821-2489972.

Queen put to rest with Philip, her parents in Windsor Chapel

The coffin of Britain's Queen Elizabeth is carried out of Westminster Abbey after a service on the day of her State funeral and burial, in London on Sept.19, 2022.

London, Sept. 20- Britain's longest-serving monarch Queen Elizabeth II was laid to rest with her husband Philip and parents in an intimate ceremony in London's Windsor on Monday.

Queen Elizabeth II's coffin was lowered into the Royal Vault at the St George's Chapel in Windsor Castle after a day of matchless pagaentry that drew world leaders and thousands of well-wishers.

In a tradition dating back to Queen Victoria's funeral in 1901, the State gun carriage bearing the coffin was hauled to the abbey by Royal Navy sailors, followed in a solemn procession by King Charles III and other senior royals. Queen Elizabeth, who died on Sept. 8, had been lying in state at the Westminster Hall since Wednesday evening. Huge crowds built in

central London overnight and since early morning to secure a spot to watch the State funeral at Westminster Abbey.

The evening interment service was not open to the media, and King Charles III, Queen Consort Camilla, Prince William and Kate, Prince Harry and Meghan, and other royals were able to bid a final farewell to the late monarch in private after being in the public spotlight for 10 days of national mourning. Queen Elizabeth's closest relatives were ashen-faced throughout solemn funeral rituals in London and Windsor, silently playing their parts in meticulously choreographed processions that nevertheless betrayed the high emotions of the day.

The presence of William and Harry, walking side-by-side behind their grandmother's coffin, was reminiscent of the day 25 years ago when, as boys, they took part in a similar procession to the funeral of their mother Diana, Princess of Wales.

President of India Droupadi Murmu paid her last respects on behalf of India and met with King Charles III.

US President Joe Biden, France's Emmanuel Macron, Canada Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Pakistan's Shehbaz Sharif were among the attendees.

Over 8,000 people visit four-day MyRealty-2022 Property Expo

Mysuru, Sept. 20-The four-day MyRealty-2022 mega property expo, held from Sept. 16 to 19, at the Cosmopolitan Club concluded successfully on Monday.

The Property Expo got a good response with about 8,000 people visiting MyRealty during the four days.

The Property Expo, organised by Builders Association of India, Mysore Centre and CREDAI in collaboration with Mysore Builders Charitable Trust was a great platform for Builders and Developers. The reputed builders and developers of Mysuru informed people about the various projects they have developed such as layouts, flats, apartments, group houses and villas. Likewise, various banks also participated to guide people about housing loans and other services provided by bank sectors.

This year's MyRealty Expo

received good feedback from builders, developers and customers.

At the Expo, Brigade Enterprise, Nam Mane were at the platinum stall, Rai Estate, Eagleburg, Skill Tech were at the gold stall, while G9 Project, Bhima Properties, GSS Projects, Ahad Builders were at the silver stall. Besides this, there were general stalls also.

The customers who visited the stalls gave good feedback. Site booking was also done through MyRealty Expo.

Consumers got information about different roofs under one roof. They were given the opportunity to choose a project according to their interest and wish and to know about home loans.

Only reputed developers, RERA cleared developers were involved in the show and it was a great platform for developers to market their projects, said D. Srihari, Chairman, MyRealty.

NEWS BRIEFS

Self-employment training

The city's Sri Talacauvery Mahila Vidya Samsthe, having office at No. 519, Seventh Main, First Cross, Ramakrishnanagar H-Block, has invited applications from women and youths for free training in Embroidery, Advanced Tailoring and Beautician courses. Interested candidates may obtain the prescribed application forms from the Samsthe office and submit the filled-in forms along with necessary documents before Sept. 25. [Mob: 98450-87396 or 99013-33919]

Entrance Test

University of Mysore (UoM) has invited online applications from students for the Common Entrance Test (CET) for admission to Post-Graduate courses at Manasagangothri, PG Centres, Constituent Colleges and affiliated Colleges for the year 2022-23. Interested students can apply online through the University portal ***www.uompgadmissions.com*** from today (Sept. 20), according to a press release from the UoM Registrar.

Art of Living Happiness Prog.

Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living Happiness Programme will be held at Art of Living Ashram on Lalitadripura Road in city from Sept. 21 to Sept. 24 from 6 am to 8 am, 11 am to 1 pm, 3 pm to 5 pm and 6 pm to 8 pm. For details, contact Mob: 98927-52035 or 98459-63387.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	124.42 feet
Yesterday	:	124.42 feet
Inflow	:	10,146 cusecs
Outflow	:	9,935 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,282.97 feet
Inflow	:	2,711 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,863 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,857.86 feet
Inflow	:	1,701 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,430 cusecs

Three juveniles involved in theft cases held

Five two-wheelers worth Rs. 3.25 lakh recovered

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (KS)- Three juveniles (Children in conflict with law), who were involved in theft cases have been taken into custody by V.V. Puram Police.

On Sept. 17, the Police, who were on duty near Yadavagiri Bridge, saw three boys on a two-wheeler sans registration number plate, stopped them and questioned them. As the boys did not give satisfactory reply, the Police inspected the two-wheeler and found that the two-wheeler was a stolen one and brought the three boys to the Police Station.

On questioning the boys, the boys are said to have revealed that they had lifted various two-wheelers in Mysuru city and Hassan district.

Based on the information provided by the boys, the Police have recovered five two-wheelers worth Rs. 3.25 lakh from them.

With this, the Police have one case each in V.V. Puram, Udayagiri and Channarayapatna Town Police limits and two cases in Narasimharaja Police limits.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) - Crime and Traffic M.S. Geetha Prasanna and Narasimharaja Sub-Division ACP Shivashankar guided V.V. Puram Inspector N. Jayakumar, Sub-Inspector K. Lepaksha, ASI H. Siddaraju and staff S. Ravigowda, Chamundamma, S. Mahesh, Parashurama Rathod, N.V. Eeranna and Umesh in the nabbing and recovery operation.

House burgled: Gold ornaments worth Rs. 2.40 lakh stolen

Mysuru, Sept. 20- Burglars, who broke into a house at Krishnamurthypuram 5th Cross, have decamped with gold jewellery worth Rs. 2.40 lakh from the house.

The burglary took place at the house of Sudamshu Nagarahalli, a teacher at Jayatheertha Vidyapeetha in Bengaluru.

He had locked the house on Apr. 18 and had gone out and his friends informed him about the burglary following which he returned to city on Sept. 16 and found that the burglars had forcibly opened the house door.

On inspecting the house, he found the gold jewellery worth Rs. 2.40 lakh stolen and immediately lodged a complaint with Lakshmipuram Police, who have registered a case in this regard.

Chit fund business: Couple flee after collecting Rs. 2.44 crore from investors

Mysuru, Sept. 20- A couple, who was conducting chit business illegally, has fled the city along with their family members after collecting Rs. 2.44 crore from investors.

The accused are Anupama, her husband Prasad, brother-in-law Ganesh and daughter Dhanya, residents of No. 21, 3rd Cross, 1st Main in Brindavan Layout.

According to the complaint lodged by Manjula, a resident of Vijayanagar, accused Anupama was running the chit fund and real estate business while her husband was running a SBI Customer Service Centre at Brindavan Layout, where he used to lure customers to invest money with him by promising high interest to their investments.

The complaint further states that Anupama's brother-in-law was running a Rs. 5 lakh chit business and was collecting Rs. 12,000 monthly from the investors. Anupama's daughter Dhanya too was involved in this business and Manjula had invested Rs. 83,000 with them. Stating that the couple used to pay the promised interest initially, Manjula has stated that she had invested more money with them.

The couple has collected Rs. 46 lakh from Anitha of Brindavan Layout, Rs. 1.25 lakh from Kiran, Rs. 2.25 lakh from Mamatha, Rs. 7.50 lakh from Pushpa, Rs. 32 lakh from Renuka of JSS Layout, Rs. 50 lakh from Ashwini of Mathura Nagar, Rs. 12 lakh from Sumabai of Janata Nagar, Rs. 10 lakh from Baby of Vijayanagar and from others totalling Rs. 2.44 crore, the complaint added.

Manjula has further stated that when they asked the couple to return their money, they used to give excuses and later have fled the city after locking the house. When called on their cell phones, the phones were switched off and when they enquired with the neighbours, they came to know that the couple were planning to sell their house. V.V. Puram Police, who have registered case under IPC section 406, 420 and 34, are investigating.

No liquor during 'Muhurtha' day lunch at Kodava weddings

Ponnampet, Sept. 20 (OSR)- The Ponnampet Kodava Samaja in South Kodagu has banned the serving of liquor during 'Muhurtha', day of the wedding.

The decision was taken at the General Body Meeting of the Samaja held yesterday.

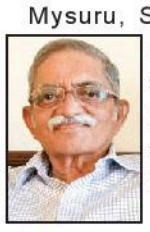
The resolution was passed by General Body and there will also be restrictions on consuming liquor during the 'Ganga Puja' during a marriage.

The Samaja will impose a fine of Rs. 25,000 if anyone is found consuming liquor during the 'Muhurtha' and 'Ganga Puja', Kalimada Motaiah, President of the Ponnampet Kodava Samaj told reporters.

It may be recalled here that the Ponnampet Kodava Samaja had imposed restrictions on cutting a cake, opening champagne and not allowing bridegrooms to sport beards and brides not to let their hair loose during the ceremony. After this move, a couple of other Kodava Samajas too imposed similar restrictions.

Obituary

Raghu Bhale Rao



Mysuru, Sept. 20- Raghu Bhale Rao (92), a resident of V.V. Mohalla, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind one son, three daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon, according to family sources.

Sundaramma

Sundaramma (74), wife of Patel Somanna of Chikkakadanahalli village in Hunsur taluk, passed away yesterday at the village.

She leaves behind her husband, two sons including First Grade Contractor Lokesh, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at her native place, according to family sources.

Kanthamani

Kanthamani (72), a resident of Uttaradi Mutt Road in Khille Mohalla, passed away yesterday afternoon in city.

She leaves behind son Prashanth Tatachar, a cooking contractor, daughter Rangamani and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning.

Thammaiah

Thammaiah (65), a resident of Gandhinagar, passed away on Sunday night in city.

He leaves behind his wife Chikkathayamma, children Shivaraja, Pushpalatha, Jayalakshmi, Vanitha, Lavith and a host of relatives and friend.

Last rites were performed at Adi Karnataka Burial Grounds at Gandhinagar on Monday, according to family sources.

TEASER

By N. Prakash

Why Complain?? You IT people are the EXPERTS in handling CLOUD !!!
B'LURU FLOOD 3 IT CORRIDOR AFFECTED
HON. MINISTER
HEAVY RAINS CAUSE BENGALURU FLOODED IT CORRIDOR TURNS INTO RIVER, WORST AFFECTED - NEWS

NOTE: Cloud here refers to the latest technology used in software globally.

Yuva Sambhrama continues to pull crowds

Actors Sharan and Nishvika Naidu entertained the audience at Yuva Sambhrama event last evening. They sung and danced to the songs from their to-be-released movie 'Guru Shishyaru.' On the occasion, the movie teaser too was screened. Students of various colleges mesmerised the gathering with their energetic performances on various themes.

MCC announces grand *Mane-Mane Dasara*

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (SBD & DM)- Announcing a grand *'Mane-Mane'* Dasara, Mayor Shivakumar said that every ward of the 65-member MCC will get a grant of Rs.2 lakh, exclusive of GST.

Speaking at the Dasara Special Council meeting of the MCC here on Monday, Shivakumar said that the work on fixing potholes across the city has been taken up out of the Legislators' Funds and utilisation of grants of the previous Mayor. The work orders have been issued and the Contractors have been directed to fill up potholes by Dasara, he noted.

Continuing, the Mayor said that footpath encroachments on Dasara procession route from K.R. Circle to Millennium circle is being cleared. Also, mobile toilets will be set up at suitable spots and debris will be cleared in all the MCC wards, he added.

Ailing Corporator

Referring to the treatment of ailing Corporator Dr. Ashwini Sharath, Shivakumar said that the condition of Ashwini, who is undergoing treatment at a private hospital, continues to be critical. Responding to the suggestions of the Corporators, Shivakumar said that measures will be taken to fund the treatment expenditure. A resolution will be passed to cover treatment cost of all ailing Corporators in the next Council meeting, following which Government approval will be taken, he pointed out.

Referring to Dasara pass issue, the Mayor said that all Corporators will be issued Gold Card that will enable them to take part in all Dasara programmes. The district administration will be sought to allow four persons per pass for the programmes, he said.

Corporators sought special Dasara funds from Government and wanted to bring all Corporators under Health Insurance.

Former Mayor Ayub Khan asked the Mayor to ensure that there are no confusions in the distribution of Dasara passes.

JD(S) Corporator Prema Shankaregowda wanted the Government to provide Rs. 20 lakh to every ward for pothole filling. She also demanded that the MCC deploy at least five more Pourakarmikas to every ward in the wake of Dasara festivities.

Another JD(S) Corporator SBM Manju said that Pourakarmikas have warned of staging protest if their demands are not met. He urged the authorities to ensure that there will be no problems in maintaining cleanliness and hygiene.

Referring to a Dasara elephant giving birth to a calf in the Palace premises recently, Congress Corporator Shobha Sunil wondered what the situation would have been had the elephant given birth when the procession was underway. She wanted action against those responsible for bringing the pregnant elephant for Dasara.

After hearing the views and suggestions of Corporators, Mayor Shivakumar said that it is a matter of pride that the President of India is coming to Mysuru for inaugurating Dasara. Asking all Corporators to set aside their political differences for ensuring an incident-free Dasara, the Mayor sought the co-operation of everyone in making Dasara a huge success.

The meeting discussed in depth the issue of MCC not getting a special Dasara grant from Government thus far.

MCC Additional Commissioner Roopa said that the MCC has not received special grant from the Government. However, the district administration has released Rs. 2.25 crore to engineering and other sections of the MCC, she pointed out.

Corporator Arif Hussain opined that it was not right on the part of the MCC to call the meeting in the absence of announcement of a special grant from the Government for Dasara. He sought Rs. 5 lakh as special grant for every ward.

Mayor Shivakumar said that the grants issue will be immediately brought to the notice of the district administration and the District In-charge Minister.

Targeting officials for laxity in their approach towards addressing civic problems, the Mayor asked the officials who do not show determination and commitment, to move out of MCC.

As the meeting went on, several Corporators who raised the issue of piped gas supply, wanted a debate on the works concerning Piped Natural Gas (PNG) project that is being implemented in the city.

Some Corporators argued that lakhs of rupees is going waste in the implementation of the project as security and safety concerns are not addressed. Seeking complete details of the Project, they urged for immediate suspension of the ongoing PNG project works. They also demanded repeal of the resolution adopted in the last Council meeting held under the Chairmanship of the previous Mayor Sunanda Palanetra, which was passed in the absence of any debate on the issue.

Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Fleeting thoughts on a Queen's death

The whole of yesterday afternoon I was glued to my grandpa's rosewood armed chair till late in the evening watching the grandiose, spectacular, colourful and elaborate funeral ceremony of Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain. Yes, Great Britain not just Britain. It denotes political union of England, Scotland and Wales. Then what is United Kingdom? Ahoy! It is United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland! More the merrier, stronger and greater in the comity of nations. Otherwise it would be a mere island, of course, largest island in Europe. The mention of the Commonwealth was also made as of the Queen's realm.

Queen is dead, long live the new King Charles III, aged 72. Queen's long life and legacy is remembered and recalled. Her greatest achievement: Long, (96 years) healthy life and longest reign (70 years). The rightful heir to the throne Charles, with all the ups and down in his personal life, had to wait in the wings this long to become Charles III the King. Let it be.

Much has been written about the British Empire. Some call it an Evil Empire. Some credit it with civilising its Colonies, leading them from darkness to light. Darkness of poverty, lack of "culture," belief in superstition, cruel rulers, sinister customs and practices, above all lack of modern, scientific education.

Many decades have passed since British left their Colonies but how far have these Colonies developed? Colonies of the past are still blaming the British for their deficiencies and failures in developing their 'independent, free (and even secular) countries.' Why? I guess a bit of introspection by these past British Colonies may help. Blaming the British, years after they left their Colonies, for the failures our own rulers is unfair and wrong.

It will do some good to the present rulers of these free countries to go back in time and study the history of their countries before the Britishers colonised them. The life and times of the people, the natives, were worse than under the British. Why not write about it also? Yes, you will find both are evils but my perception is that the British are the lesser of the two evils.

As for India, if British had not come, beating their rivals in trade like Dutch, Portuguese and French, the country (Indian continent) would have remained fragmented under Muslim Mughals, Sultans and Hindu Maharajas with each one engaged in war with the other without development of their little country. Border wars, trade wars...! See Hyderabad Karnataka, Bengal and Bihar and judge. We are not able to fix the underdevelopment in these places even today after 75 years of independence.

However, this is not to justify the British havoc wreaked on the Indian sub-continent but only to say a fragmented Indian continent with absolute Hindu majority was UNITED because of the British colonisation. Yes, if at all there was any good that happened under the British this is certainly the one that saved India for Hindus. After all, united we stand, divided we perish.

Be that as it may, as I vacated that old centurion of a chair my mind was full of the British funeral to their Queen. And I recalled, rather philosophically as a mortal human being, the famous lines of the British poet Thomas Gray in his famous poem **Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard:**

Can storied urn or animated bust
Back to its mansion call the fleeting breath?
Can Honour's voice provoke the silent dust,
Or Flattery soothe the dull cold ear of Death?

The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power,
And all that beauty, all that wealth ever gave,
Awaits alike the inevitable hour.
The paths of glory lead but to the grave.

Amen.

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Website a disaster

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"Just six days to go for Dasara and we want to know the artistes who are performing in mega events like ongoing *Yuva Sambhrama* and the forthcoming *Yuva Dasara*. Of course, there is some info about VIP guests including the President of India, the CM and Ministers. We want more live info," said Claret Simon, a student.

"Advance information is the key to attract more and more tourists. If I am a tourist from abroad and if I open this website for information, I will be disappointed. As the website is static and non-interactive, many tourists who have actually seen the grandeur of Dasara in the past will backout this time," said Surendra Chouhan, who has come to Mysuru to see the grand-scale Dasara-2022.

Website filled with bloomers

Another complaint from the tech-savvy people is that the website content is full of errors. "There are many blunders and the content has not been checked and the hygiene has not been ensured. Many sentences, names and designations look like they have been literally translated from Kannada," said Subhash, who was mentioning how well the Dasara-2019 website had been designed.

Apart from the regular features, the website offers nothing new for a visitor. "Crucial details that actually attract visitors for mass events like *Yuva Sambhrama*, *Yuva Dasara*, names of national and international-famed artistes who are performing at the Festival are not available on the website," said Neelima Suresh, who is a regular at cultural evening at Palace.

Last-minute preparations

Official sources say in hushed tones that the cultural programmes have not yet been decided. "As all the decisions have to be taken at the highest level, many critical activities like the guests who will perform have been left undecided. Earlier, we used to prepare six months in advance and be ready with the list of noted artistes 15 days before start of Dasara and even have some artistes as a back-up in case there are cancellations due to unavoidable circumstances," an officer, who wanted to remain anonymous, confided.

Many programmes are being chalked out in a tearing hurry and the preparations will last till the very end. Every day, a series of meetings are held to chalk out and finalise the programmes. "We are hard-pressed for time and I am not sure how we will ensure the quality of programmes in the absence of advance preparations. I feel that there is no seriousness on the part of either elected representatives or the high-level officers," he added.

Content sent in batches; things will be better soon, says Web Designer

Yashwanth Kumar of Fusion Minds Technologies, who has designed and developed the Dasara-2022 website, said that they have been uploading the content as and when they have received it.

"We receive the content in batches; while some are in the text format, the others are in image format and we have to type the content to upload. The website language and hygiene are checked by the Department of Information and Publicity and there are certain time requirements for web upload. We are trying our best to make the website more informative and it will get better soon," he said.

Quality compromised?

Praveen, a web designer who has experience in designing and uploading Government websites, said that even if Rs. 1 lakh is required for a website design, tenders have to be called and the best web design agency is shortlisted. Here, officials take shelter under 'emergency funds' or 'exigency funds' that allow deviation and they need not call for tenders and any one agency gets the contract.

"This system has been in practice in Mysuru for some years and there is no competition from vendors who apply for tenders. As there is no competition, the quality suffers. Also, the officials give information at the last minute and this adds to the confusion," Praveen added.

Live phone-in on Mysuru Dasara

Mysuru, Sept. 20- JSS Community Radio Station will hold a live phone-in programme tomorrow (Sept. 21) from 10.30 am to 11.30 am. **Dr. B.S. Manjunathaswamy,** Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), will answer listeners' queries on Mysuru Dasara-2022.

General public may also give suggestions about the programmes organised by the District Administration on the occasion of *Nada Habba* — like Yuva Dasara, illumination, cultural programmes, Industrial Dasara, procession, tableaux and other programmes. Those interested may call Ph: 0821-2546563 or Mob: 82967-25912 and interact with the ADC. Listeners may tune in to 91.2 FM or access through JSS Radio App.

Combo ticket available for Dasara tourists from today till Oct. 5

Rs. 500 for adults; Rs. 250 for children

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (RK)- The District Administration and Tourism Department have announced that combo tickets will be available for Dasara tourists and the general public at selected places across the city from today (Sept. 20) till Oct. 5.

This single ticket provides entry to the Mysore Palace, KRS, Zoo, Chamundeshwari temple and Railway Museum and people need not stand in queue at each destination.

The ticket costs Rs. 500 for adults and Rs. 250 for children, said District Minister S.T. Somashekar recently adding that one ticket is valid for one person and from tomorrow, the tickets will be made available at the KSRTC Suburban Bus Stand, City Bus Stand, KSTDC Hotel, at two places in City Railway Station, Chamundi Hill, Zoo, KRS, Palace and prominent hotels in Mysuru.

Golden throne assembled

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Around 8-12 Palace staff thoroughly checked all the parts brought from the Strong Room and assembled the throne for the 413th Dasara and the *Bhadrasana* was assembled at Kannadi Thotti amidst tight Police security. The process was complete with *Purnahuti*.

As part of this ritual, the *Pattada Aane* (elephant), *Pattada Kudure* (horse), *Pattada Hasu* (cow), *Pattada Onte* (camel), all adorned with royal clothes, were also brought and pujas performed at Kalyana Mantapa.

The CCTV cameras installed between the Strong Room and the Amba Vilas Durbar Hall corridor were all covered and even the members of the staff were asked not to carry mobile phones inside. Their phones were taken away and kept in a locker.

The puja rituals were led by Palace Priest Srihari and Shyam Dixit. Member of Mysore Royal Family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, her PA Mahendra, Palace Secretary M. Lakshminarayana, Palace Board Deputy Director T. S. Subramanya, Palace Security ACP Chandru and others were present.

As tourists will be allowed entry to Palace in the afternoon, the Golden Throne at Durbar Hall was covered with white screen and arrangements were made to divert the visitors from a little distance. However, sources said that there are plans to allow visitors to have a glimpse of Golden Throne with an extra ticket from tomorrow.

As boards giving information on the restriction to Palace entry in the mornings hours today was put up across the Palace day before yesterday itself, tourists made sure that they visited other tourist places and visit the Palace in the afternoon.

Khas Durbar: The Khas Durbar (Private Durbar) will begin from Sept. 26 when titular head of Mysore Royal Family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar will ascend the throne and hold the Durbar.

Public entry to Palace restricted

Following various rituals to be performed by the members of the Mysore Royal family as part of the Dasara festival, entry of the public and tourists to the Palace is restricted at certain timings on the following days:

Sept. 26 - from 10 am to 1.30 pm: Private Durbar.

Oct. 4 - from 10 am to 2 pm: Ayudha Puja.

Oct. 5 - Palace will be closed for the entire day for Vijayadashami.

Oct. 20 - from 10 am to 1 pm: For dismantling of Golden Throne and shifting it back to the strong room.

Replica of elephant head statue at Ramaswamy Circle for Dasara

Ramaswamy Circle

Highway Circle

Inspired by the iconic elephant heads statue installed at Highway Circle, a fibre replica of four elephant heads will now adorn Ramaswamy Circle in city as part of beautifying Mysuru for Dasara. The fibre replica is done by artist Mahadev Suttur, who created the original statue in Bannimantap. Each elephant head with raised trunk is 4 ft. tall and 3 ft. wide. Mahadev Suttur said that the fibre replica can withstand sun and rain and can last 60 to 70 years. He hoped that the authorities concerned may retain the fibre replica after Dasara also.

A model of a temple is also coming up near Ramaswamy Circle. The temple model which resembles Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill, is 20 ft. tall and 30 ft. wide and is being made using thermocol and iron frames. There are plans to keep a photo or an idol of Goddess Chamundeshwari inside the Temple, which is created by Mahadev Suttur and Kishore Rachaiah-led artist team.

Compensation has been paid to flood affected: Minister Ashoka

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (RKB&DM)- Maintaining that the Government has paid appropriate compensation to those who lost homes and other properties during the recent floods, Revenue Minister **R. Ashoka** said that the BJP Government has ensured that social security pensions are sanctioned for beneficiaries in just three days.

He was speaking on the fourth day of the nine-day 'Modi Yug Utsav-2022' event, organised by K.R. MLA S.A. Ramdas at Ramalingeshwara Park in Vidyaranyapuram here this morning.

Arguing that the Government has been functioning in a transparent manner and has been delivering benefits at doorsteps, he said that the Revenue Department is working overtime to ensure that all revenue problems are suitably addressed.

Lauding MLA Ramdas for his outstanding work, he recalled that PM Modi had patted Ramdas in acknowledgement of his work. "Our State will become a model one in true sense if every leader works like Ramdas and there is no doubt that Karnataka will become prosperous if it happens", Ashoka remarked.

Obituary

Saraswathi

Mysuru, Sept. 20 - Saraswathi (81), wife of late Devaraj Hegde and a resident of Chamundipuram, passed away in the early hours of today in city.

She leaves behind sons senior advocate M.D. Harish Hegde and Transport Department Officer M.D. Sharath, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held tomorrow at 11 am at the foot of Chamundi Hill, according to sources.

Mysore Memories...

Ti. Nam. Shri, a grammarian par excellence

By Dr. Bhagirath S. Naganath

[Continued from yesterday]

T.N. Srikantaiah's first book *Olume* was published in 1932. In all, he published fourteen works, three of these being printed posthumously. His works, though few in number, were always well received by his fellow litterateurs and the reading public.

Regarding his first published work *Olume*, Masti Venkatesh Iyengar remarked in his review in *Prabhuddha Karnataka* that this anthology filled a long-awaited void in the Kannada literary landscape and that there ought to be a bigger successor to this one!

Similarly, his *Rakshasana Mudrike* based on Vishakadatta's Sanskrit play *Mudrarakshasa,* written at the suggestion of T.S. Venkannayya was well-received by critics. His book *Gadayuddha Sangraham* ran to 92 pages, with footnotes and summary running to an additional 116 pages! It was dedicated to his guru B.M. Srikantaiah on the 1000-year anniversary of the Kannada poet Ranna in 1949. Collection of his lectures at AIR was brought out as *Kavyanubhava* in 1970, four years after his demise.

Bharatheeya Kavyamimamse: This is considered by many to be T.N. Srikantaiah's magnum opus. Inspired by B.M. Srikantaiah and guided by M. Hiriyanna, Srikantaiah could not have desired for better guidance than these two titans. Hiriyanna, who had retired by this time, decided to take up the task of tutoring Anandavardhana's 'Dhvanyaloka' to Srikantaiah. On more than one occasion, Srikantaiah later recollected this as a once in a lifetime experience!

Hiriyanna furthermore agreed to go through the first draft of Srikantaiah's *Bharatheeya Kavyamimamse*, offering his precious insights into it. This work ran to 475 pages and charted the history and tradition of Indian Poetics across vast timelines. In fact, the scope of this work was so vast that D.L. Narasimhachar remarked that: *'No Indian language can lay claim to a book that can remotely equal this magnificent edifice!'*

Sadly enough, Srikantaiah was greatly disheartened at the quality of the publication process and was deeply disturbed at the plethora of mistakes that had crept into the final edition! Adding insult to injury, this towering work scarcely got the due recognition it deserved. After the institution of the *Pampa Prashasthi*, this book became the second one to receive the prestigious award (first one being Kuvempu's *Ramayana Darshanam*). While the award was a welcome recognition, the fact that it came 36 years after the book got published was a disappointment that could scarcely be concealed.

T.N. Srikantaiah

T.N. Srikantaiah's treatise on *Kavyamimamse* remains his most respected and revered work. He was always active in many Kannada Sanghas in the old Mysore region and was an avid advocate for the cause of Kannada language. By 1935, he had penned eight English essays and ten Kannada essays. His *Kannada Madhyama Vyakarana* was a standard book for teaching Kannada grammar. Between 1958-61, M.R. Ranganath under the guidance of T. N. Srikantaiah brought forth a 350-page seminal work on Kannada Grammar and Linguistics titled *Morphophonemic Analysis of the Kannada Language*. This was published by The Centre for Indian Languages, Mysore, in 1982 and covered over 96,000 Kannada words!

T. N. Srikantaiah would inspire and guide works of similar stature from other budding litterateurs of his day. S. Anantanarayan's *Hosagannadada Sahityada Mele Paschatya Kavyada Prabhava* **(Influences of western poetry on modern Kannada writing)** was completed under Srikantaiah's guidance. It was a matter of some regret that this comprehensive work was denied a Doctorate due to petty departmental politics.

Similarly, M. Chidanandamurthy's *Kannada Shasanagala Samskruthika Adhyayana* **(Cultural Study of Kannada Epigraphical Records)** was also done at T.N. Srikantaiah's behest. When this work was eventually accorded a Doctorate degree, Srikantaiah is said to have remarked that *'he was no longer barren (implying that he had at long last produced an offspring)'*! Reading Chidanandamurthy's doctoral work, D.L. Narasimhachar later exclaimed thus — *'A Thesis is meant to be written this way!'*

In the Indian Constitutional Committee meeting in 1949, itwas T.N. Srikantaiah who suggested the word *'Rashtrapathi'* as the apt nomenclature for the President. This was readily welcomed and adopted into practice.

In 1943, he presided over the *'Sahitya Sammelana Bhasha Bandavya Ghosti'*. In 1957, he was invited to chair the *'Dravida Samskruthi Ghosti'*. In 1958, he was appointed as Secretary for local chapter of Summer School of Linguistics at Mysore. In 1960, he was appointed as Secretary of the All India Linguists' Association.

T. N. Srikantaiah took an active role in the Kannada dictionary project. Around this time, the Post Graduate Department at Manasagangothri campus was taking shape. Srikantaiah was instrumental in laying the foundation for the Kannada Department there.

Srikantaiah retired in March 1962 after 34 years of service. Following his retirement, he returned to the department as a UGC Professor and would eventually head the Kannada Dictionary Project as its Secretary. By 1965, T. N. Srikantaiah received an invitation from Delhi University to join the Linguistics Department as an adjunct Professor. He had to decline this as he was already preoccupied with many ongoing projects in the Kannada Department.

Personal Life

T.N. Srikantaiah married Jayalakshmi in 1929. The couple had their first child Vishalakshi in 1931. Second daughter Nagarathna was born in 1936. His son Nagabhushana was born in 1942. Sadly, Srikantaiah had two still born sons before these. His eldest daughter Vishalakshi passed away in 1943 at the age of 12 years! Srikantaiah also supported his sister Savitramma.

His daughter Nagarathna's wedding materialised in 1961. After nearly four decades of academic service, Srikantaiah finally managed to secure a house of his own through CITB in 1962! He conducted his son's Upanayana in 1963. That same year, Srikantaiah had a granddaughter as well.

In August 1961, Srikantaiah was invited to a Conference of Technical Linguists, arranged under the aegis of the Education Department in New Delhi. He took his wife along and planned trips to Agra and few other places in North India. From here the couple made their way to Ranchi where they met their daughter and son-in-law. T. N. Srikantaiah has noted in jest that this tour of North India was a long-awaited honeymoon trip for him and his wife, albeit 40 years late! Srikantaiah's son was a student at Calcutta around this time.

In Calcutta, T.N. Srikantaiah succumbed to a heart attack on 7th September, 1966 at the age of 59 years. His funeral took place in Calcutta.

Legacy

Srikantaiah was fond of recollecting many verses from Victorian poets. His personal favourite was a poem by Robert Browning titled *A Grammarian's Funeral*. Much of Srikantaiah's literary output happened prior to his 45th year of life. It has been often lamented that Srikantaiah's literary output fell well short of his vast intellect and repertoire of knowledge. Probably, successive transfers from place to place and the travails of family life were to be blamed for this. A number of manuscripts and some notes on *Kavyamimamse* still remain unpublished. His lifelong dedication to the field of Kannada linguistics and lexicography never showed any sign of slowing down. His most popular anecdote about this vast field was, *'Language is poetry, linguistics is poetics'!*

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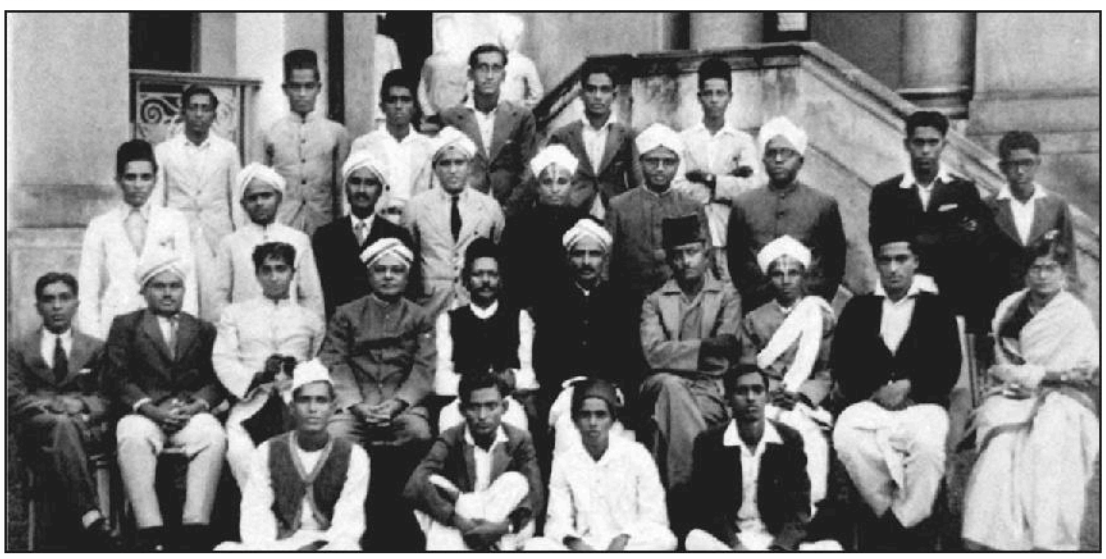


Tarunara Dandu - Maharaja College: Sitting on chairs: Kuvempu** (third from left) **with B.M. Srikantaiah, D.R. Bendre and T.S. Venkannayya;** Standing fourth from left: **D.L. Narasimhachar and T.N. Srikantaiah** (sixth); **Standing top row extreme left: G. Venkatasubbiah.

Rahul Gandhi's Yatra is for people's welfare: Siddu

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (RKB&DM)- Maintaining that top Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's *Bharat Jodo Yatra* is being taken out for the welfare of the people, Opposition leader and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah called upon the party workers to ensure a very good turnout for the *Yatra* when it reaches Mysuru early next month.

Addressing a preparatory meeting of *Bharat Jodo Yatra* at Congress Bhavan here on Sunday, Siddharamaiah asserted that the *Yatra* was not for the sake of Congress party but for the well-being of the people.

Contending that no political party had set out such a rally post-independence for the unity of the country, the ex-CM said the success of the rally would ensure political benefit for the party.

Stressing on the need for huge public participation in the rally, Siddharamaiah lashed out at Prime Minister Modi for failing to meet the aspirations of the people. He also hit out at the State Government for rampant corruption and maladministration.

At one point of time, Siddharamaiah, apparently due to slip of the tongue,said "Modi Yatra" instead of "Rahul Yatra." When party workers alerted him about the *faux pas,* Siddu corrected himself and said that it was just a slip of tongue.

KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar, in his address, said that *Bharat Jodo Yatra* is coming to Mysuru during Dasara and the party has asked MLAs, former Legislators and leaders to ensure that at least 15,000 people from each Assembly segment take part in the rally. Emphasising on the need for ensuring total success of the rally, with Assembly polls round the corner, Shivakumar maintained that inflation was soaring and unemployment was rising under BJP rule.

Shivakumar underwent a health check up even as the meeting was underway, as he suffered from high temperature and tiredness.

AICC In-charge Secretary John Rosy, KPCC Working President R. Dhruvanarayan, KPCC Women's Wing President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, former Ministers Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and K. Venkatesh, MLAs Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah, Tanveer Sait, H.P. Manjunath and Anil Chikkamadu, MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah, former Legislators M.K. Somashekar, Vasu, Kalale Keshavamurthy and R. Dharmasena, leaders D. Ravishankar, M. Lakshmana, Manjula Manasa and others were present at the meeting.

Rahul to celebrate Gandhi Jayanthi at Badanavalu

Former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah said that former AICC Chief Rahul Gandhi will visit Badanavalu village in Nanjangud during his ongoing *Bharat Jodo Yatra* and Gandhi Jayanthi will be celebrated with him on Oct. 2.

He was speaking to press-persons after an inspection of Khadi Gramodyoga Kendra at Badanavalu on Saturday.

"*Bharat Jodo Yatra* being undertaken by Rahul Gandhi will enter Karnataka on Sept. 30 through Gundlupet. On Oct. 2, Rahul will visit Badanavalu Khadi Gramodyoga Centre and celebrate Gandhi Jayanthi by offering flowers to the bust of Mahatma Gandhi. On that day, a programme of singing bhajans and patriotic songs will be held from 7.30 am to 2.30 pm. Admission to the event is restricted to just 400-500 distinguished persons only. AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal, Karnataka State In-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala, all State leaders and local leaders will participate in the event," he added.

Stating that the *Bharat Jodo Yatra* will serve the interests of the country, Siddharamaiah said that both the State and Central Governments are sowing seeds of communal disharmony, creating confusions in the minds of people and spoiling the society.

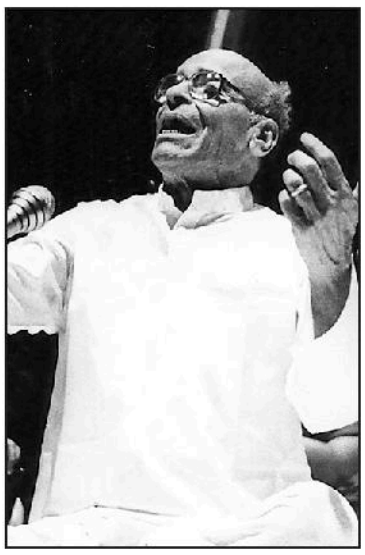
"Because of the shortage of cotton, it has now become difficult to spin and weave clothes. The women who were working here are distressed. I am not aware that they are being paid very low wages. I will discuss the issue with the concerned," he said.

The former Chief Minister clarified that there is no difference between him and other State Congress leaders with respect to *Bharat Jodo Yatra*. All party leaders along with KPCC President will unitedly participate in the *Yatra* and make it successful. I will participate with R. Dhruvanarayan in a meeting to be held in Mysuru under the leadership of D.K. Shivakumar, to ensure the success of *Bharat Jodo Yatra*," concluded Siddharamaiah.

KPCC Working President R. Dhruvanarayan, former MLA Kalale Keshavamurthy, Mysuru District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar and others accompanied Siddharamaiah during his visit to Khadi Gramodyoga Kendra at Badanavalu.

Ti. Nam. Shri, a grammarian par excellence

T. N. Srikantaiah



Mallikarjun Mansur

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Shatru! (Even conversation can be an impediment to writing!).

It was almost commonplace for students of different classes to come and sit in T.N. Srikantaiah's class — especially those dealing with Metre *(Chandassu), Kavyamimamse* and Linguistics.

Srikantaiah's oratorical skills were well known. Once, there was an all-night festival arranged on the banks of river Annigeri from nine in the night till three in the morning. This was on the occasion of Purandara Dasa Jayanti. Srikantaiah delivered an impressive talk at length. After his talk, **Mallikarjun Mansur** graced the stage and showing his hand towards Srikantaiah began his performance with the vachana — *Nudidare Mutthina Haradanthirabeku!*

In 1957, the Maharaja College English Literary Association had arranged their annual function and had invited T. N. Srikantaiah to deliver a lecture titled *The Poetic World.* At the end of the lecture, the English faculty crossed over the aisle to shake hands with their Kannada colleagues and congratulated them on having such a knowledgeable and eloquent speaker amidst them!

In 1958, Maharaja College Kannada Sangha had arranged their annual function and Srikantaiah delivered a lecture on *Kannadada Abhyasa.* D.L. Narasimhachar, moved by Srikantaiah's oratory, remarked that this lecture ought to be broadcast to the four corners of Karnataka!

Considering his vast repertoire of knowledge and remarkable oratory, the volume of literary work that he produced during four decades was considerably on the lower side. A.N. Murthy Rao was particularly vocal in his observations in this regard. Srikantaiah in response is said to have remarked in chaste Kannada, *Odu Barahakke Shatru!* (Serious study hinders creative writing!). To which the other doyen of Kannada poetry P. T. Narasimhachar whimsically added *Maathu Kooda Barahakke*

However, in life, there were many impediments that were beyond his control. Each of his books took an inordinate amount of time getting published. Apathy and a palpable lack of initiative on part of the University was often to blame. His '*Rakshasana Mudrike*' completed in 1931 got published eleven years later in 1942! His '*Bharatheeya Kavyamimamse*' completed in 1940 got published thirteen years later in 1953! Three of his remaining works were never published during his lifetime and saw the light of day many years after his passing!

Surely, delays of such nature would have discouraged the most optimistic among us. When someone asked him about these delays and his thoughts there of, he rather cryptically quipped what his guru Hiriyanna had once told him — *Bharatheeya Tattvagnanavendare Adondu Jeevana Vidhana! (The Essence of Indian Philosophy is that it is essentially a way of life).* Adhering to Hiriyanna's values, T.N. Srikantaiah readily side stepped, when he was approached to preside over the Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, excusing himself on the grounds that there were far more erudite senior scholars than him for that position!

Generations of Kannada students, reading public and academicians alike remember T.N. Srikantaiah with great reverence, not just for his endearing contribution to Kannada, but also as the gentle affable soul that he was during his lifetime.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Facsimile

Pronunciation: fak-SIM-uh-lee.
Meaning: A facsimile is an exact copy of something. The word is also used to refer to a system of transmitting and reproducing graphic matter, such as printed text or photos.
Origin: The facsimile machine (or fax machine) has long been an office staple, but its name is much, much older. Fac simile is a Latin phrase meaning "make alike." English speakers began using facsimile to mean "an exact copy" in the late 1600s. In this sense, a facsimile might be a handwritten or hand-drawn copy, or even a copy of a painting or statue. (Today, we also use the phrase "a reasonable facsimile" for a copy that is fairly close but not exact.) In the 1800s, people developed facsimile technology that could reproduce printed material via telegraph. Now, of course, we use telephone lines or wireless technology, and we usually call the resulting facsimile a fax.
Example: "Walls are now decorated with posters and murals of facsimiles of old newspapers that tell the tales of the team's big moments." — Carlos Monarrez.

THE ODD WORD

Facia

Nameplate or sign above shop.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Face the music

Meaning: Accept the unpleasant consequences of one's actions.
Origin: The phrase 'face the music' has an agreeable imagery. We feel that we can picture who was facing what and what music was playing at the time. Regrettably, the documentary records don't point to any clear source for the phrase and we are, as so often, at the mercy of plausible speculation. There was, of course, a definitive and unique origin for the expression 'face the music' and whoever coined it was quite certain of the circumstances and the music being referred to. Let's hope at least that one of the following suggestions is the correct one, even though there is no clear evidence to prove it. A commonly repeated assertion is that 'face the music' originated from the tradition of disgraced officers being 'drummed out' of their regiment. The earliest citation one can find for the phrase is from The New Hampshire Statesman & State Journal, August 1834: "Will the editor of the Courier explain this black affair. We want no equivocation - 'face the music' this time."

QUOTE BOX

One good thing about music, when it hits you, you feel no pain.
—Bob Marley

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

GETTINGITALL

Answer :Getting it all together.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Mine, in Aix
5 Call for help
8 Help a felon
12 Wood cutting tools
13 Louse or other parasite, its eggs
14 Thespian's part
15 Hawaiian capital
17 Cape of Good Hope explorer
18 Quagmire or marsh
19 Resides or inhabits
21 Subsidiary rule
24 Large animal
25 The den of a wild beast
26 Benevolence
30 On-Board Maintenance Sys.
31 Hollywood great ____ Davis
32 Honey collector
33 Traps a prisoner
35 Attracted
36 Bustles or fuss
37 Condemns or damns
38 From side to side
41 Place in a location
42 Bangkok man
43 Teaches, tutors or indoctrinates
48 Eggs of insects
49 Pinch or bite
50 Got up for a flower?
51 Most important festival of Kerala
52 Girl's name
53 Sea wall

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

J	U	S	■	R	O	A	R	■	C	O	S	H
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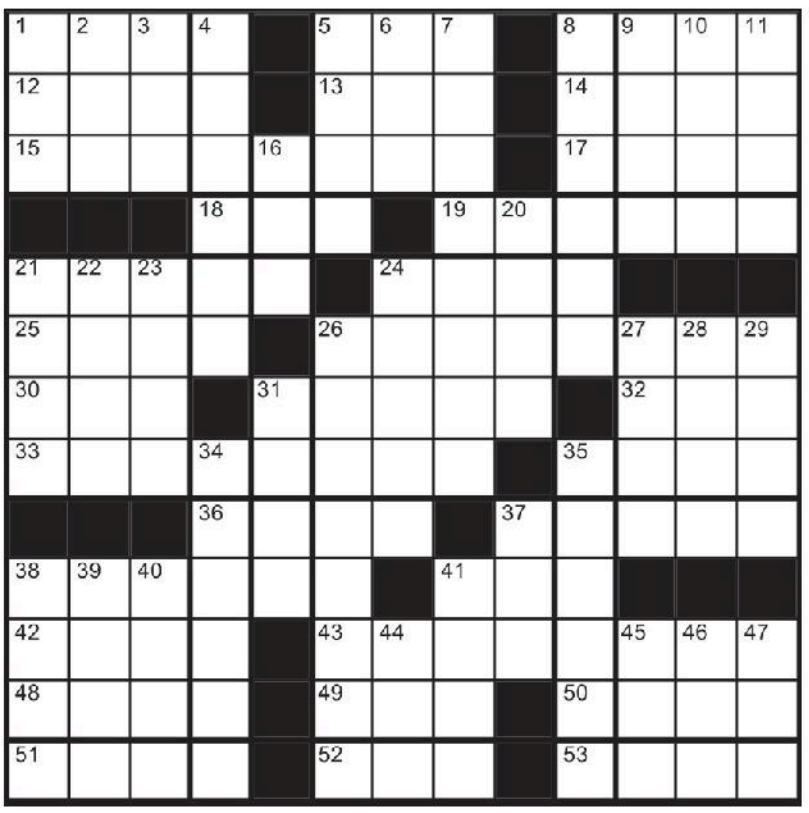
DOWN
1 Kind of wood
2 China's thoughtful Chairman
3 Possess or have
4 Weather-map line
5 Cosy
6 Paint used by an artist
7 Pupils
8 New Zealand prime minister Jacinda ____
9 Inflamed swelling
10 Airline to Tel Aviv (2,2)
11 Thomas Hardy's heroine?
16 Not high
20 Walk in water
21 Common interest group of countries
22 Hindu God of death
23 Have difficulty in pronouncing certain words
24 Cuts into with teeth
26 Paraffin oil
27 Famous Spanish river - "bore" anagram?
28 Appear
29 Uses needle and thread
31 Flowers to be
34 Lao-tse's doctrine
35 Senile old person
37 French for 'Duke'
38 __ __ time : never? (2,2)
39 Part of the jaw
40 Pro __
41 Insect stage
44 Racket or noise
45 Nursery item
46 A river of Scotland
47 We ___ with our eyes?



SUDOKU

	2			1	9	6		
	8	4	7		2		1	
1		3						8
			6		7			
5						7		3
	3		9		5	1	2	
		6	8	2			3	

Answer to previous puzzle

6	8	4	2	7	1	9	5	3
2	1	5	8	9	3	7	4	6
3	9	7	6	4	5	8	2	1
1	3	9	7	5	2	4	6	8
7	6	8	1	3	4	5	9	2
4	5	2	9	8	6	3	1	7
8	4	6	3	2	9	1	7	5
5	7	1	4	6	8	2	3	9
9	2	3	5	1	7	6	8	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

GOXNZFXBZMFW XLG JMLNZEXCYG GHGF BM BRG

CGWB VLGVXLGE, JML BRG ALGXBGWB JMMY NXS

XWI NMLG BRXF BRG KZWGWB NXF UXF XFWKGL.

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I can't understand it. I can't even understand the people who can understand it.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

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- **Lido Theatre** — Ph: 2420885
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- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
  Sinam (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  Sinam (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — Ph: 2497199
  Cobra (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
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DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Mardini (K)	(S-1)	10.45 am
Lucky Man (K)	(S-1)	1.00 pm, 4.00 pm 6.55 pm, 9.50 pm
Monsoon Raaga (K)	(S-2)	10.20 am, 4.20 pm 7.15 pm
Riya (K)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Nenu Meeku Bahaga Kaavaalsina (Te)	(S-2)	10.00 pm
Where The Crawdads Sing (E)	(S-3)	10.55 am, 10.00 pm
Sinam (Ta)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Vendhu Thanindhathu Kaadu (Ta)	(S-3)	3.55 pm
Aa Ammayi Gurunchi Meeku Cheppali (Te)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Brahmastra (H-3D)	(S-4)	9.55 am, 1 pm, 4 pm 7.00 pm, 10.05 pm

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Lucky Man (K)	(S-2)	10.25 am
	(S-3)	1.00 pm, 7.00 pm
Monsooon Raaga (K)	(S-2)	4.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.10 am, 10.10 pm
	(S-4)	1.30 pm
Brahmastra (H-3D)	(S-1)	10.50 am, 2.20 pm 5.50 pm, 9.20 pm
	(S-4)	10.20 pm
Kapala (K)	(S-4)	10.45 am
Mardini (K)	(S-4)	7.50 pm
Pampa Panchali Parashivamurthy (K)	(S-3)	4.10 pm
Saakini Daakini (Te)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Aa Ammayi Gurinchi Meeku Cheppali (Te)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
Vendhu Thanindhathu Kaadu (Ta)	(S-2)	10 pm; (S-4) 4.20 pm

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Vendhu Thanindhathu Kaadu (Ta)	:	10.05 am, 11.30 am, 3.05 pm 6.40 pm, 10.15 pm
Lucky Man (K)	:	11.30 am, 3.50 pm, 6.15 pm
Brahmastra (H-3D)	:	12 noon, 2.45 pm, 3.30 pm 7.00 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Jahaan Chaar Yaar (H)	:	1.05 pm
Where the Crawdads Sing (E)	:	1.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Aa Ammayi Gurinchi Meeku Cheppali (Te)	:	4.25 pm, 10:20 pm
Siya (H)	:	7.05 pm
Nenu Meeku Baaga Kavalsinavaadini (Te)	:	7.30 pm

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Monsoon Raaga (K)	:	8.50 am, 1.15 pm, 4.10 pm 7.05 pm, 10.00 pm
Vendhu Thanindhathu Kaadu (Ta)	:	9.40 am, 11.45 am, 3.20 pm 6.55 pm, 10.30 pm
Pampa Panchali Parashivamurthy (K)	:	10.05 am
Brahmastra (H-3D)	:	11.30 am, 3 pm, 6.30 pm, 10 pm
Mardini (K)	:	1.05 pm
Lucky Man (K)	:	3.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Kapala (K)	:	6.55 pm

Siblings win gold medals
in State Wushu Championship

Mysuru, Sept. 20- The following students have bagged medals at the 21st Karnataka State Wushu Championship held at Shivamogga recently:

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Mohammed Arsalaan Ameer, a II PUC student of Sadvidya College, has secured Gold in Junior Category (below 45 kg).

Ayesha Aynain, a 10th standard student of Baden Powell Public School, has secured Gold in Junior Category (below 45 kg).

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EVENTS TODAY (SEPTEMBER 20)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Bombe Mane, doll expo, Ramsons Bombe Mane, #91, above Amrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7 pm.**
- **The Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India and JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** Gandhi Shilp Bazaar, JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal Ring Road, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Department of Physical Education, University of Mysore (UoM):** Felicitation to All India Inter-University Sports (2021-2022) and 2nd Khelo India University Sports medal winners and distribution of cash prizes to University Inter-College Sports, UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar will be present, Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa and Finance Officer Dr. Sangeetha Gajanana Bhat chief guests, Sports Pavilion, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust:** Sri Mahaganapati Puja Mahothsava, materials distribution to visually impaired, specially abled, home for aged, orphanages, Deaf and Dumb School, J.R. Vijayakumar, Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Mysuru, chief guest, R. Malini, District Welfare Officer, Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, special invitee, **5 pm;** Classical vocal recital by Vidu. H.S. Sreeranjini accompanied by Pruthvi Bhaskar on violin and Nandan Kashyap on mridanga, Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **6.30 pm.**
- **Rotary Mysore:** Teachers Day celebrations, conferring of Rotary Datta Teachers Award-2022, Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji of Avadootha Datta Peetam, Mysuru, chief guest, Rotary Centre, JLB Road, **5 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Veteran theatre personality B.V. Karanth's birth anniversary, 'Bharatiya Ranga Sangeethotsava,' Ranga Sangeetha by Srinivas Bhat (Cheeni) of Ranga Snehitaru, Mysuru, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPTEMBER 21)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Bombe Mane, doll expo, Ramsons Bombe Mane, #91, above Amrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **The Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India and JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** Gandhi Shilp Bazaar, JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal Ring Road, **10.30 am to 9 pm.**
- **Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru:** Chanting of Vishnu Sahasranaama Stotram, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Jnaana Yagna, discourse in Kannada on Sri Adi Shankaracharya's "Sadhana Panchakam" by Swami Gahananandaji, Sri Gurudeva Datta Sannidhi, 6th Main, III Stage, Gokulam, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Rotary Club Mysore Midtown:** Conferring of 'Prof. M.G. Nanjundaradhya Memorial Rotary Mysore Midtown - Amaravani Honour' on Prof. O.L. Nagabhushanaswamy, retd. Professor, critic and translator; Prof. H.S. Umesh, retd. Professor, delivers felicitation address, Rotary Centre auditorium, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Pampa Panchali Parashivamurthy (K)	(S-1)	10.35 am
Mardini (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Kapala (K)	(S-1)	3.30 pm
Vendhu Thanindhathu Vaadu (Ta)	(S-1)	6.00 pm, 9.20 pm
Mansoon Raga (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 1.15 pm 4 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.20 pm
Brahmastra (H-3D)	(S-3)	1.15 pm, 7.45 pm
Brahmastra (K-3D)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Lucky Man (K)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 1.35 pm 4.40 pm, 7.45 pm

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V/s

Defendant: M/s Sri. Darshan Shamlyana Center, Represented by its Proprietor Sri. B K Sidde Gowda Aged about 42 years S/o Joge Gowda # 735, 10th cross, Behind Canara Bank, Belavadi, Mysuru-570018 Residing at house No.194, 13th cross behind Kiroskar Amrutheshwara nagar, Belavadi, Mysore- 570018 Mobile No: 98458 09374. Pan : EDFPS3661K, Aaddhar No: 5691 5198 9828

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Order 5 rule 20

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